

REMARKS

Claims 1 to 19 were pending in the application. By way of this amendment, new claims 20 to 23 have been added. Thus, claims 1 to 23 are pending in the application.

The applicants' representatives sincerely appreciate the interview of August 9th, 2006. Claim 1 has been amended as discussed at the interview (except that the word "signal" has been replaced with "specification"). These features are supported by the original application in, for example, paragraph 0020. At the interview, the Examiner indicated that claim 1 as amended would overcome the prior art of record because the subject matter of the amended claims is not disclosed or suggested by the prior art of record. The other independent claims have been amended similarly. It is thus respectfully submitted that the amended claims overcome the rejections of record.

New claim 23 has been added to further define the invention. This new claim recites a memory which stores a phone call filter and an integrated voice recognition filter and that the controller selects one of the phone call filter in the memory and the IVR filter in the memory based on a determination as to whether the connection is a phone call or an IVR call. Please note that these features are described in paragraphs 0014 and 0017 of the as filed application in connection with memory 120. It is respectfully submitted that the prior art of record does not disclose such a memory and selection.

Applicants believe that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check or credit card payment form being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to

charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicants hereby petition for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorize payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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